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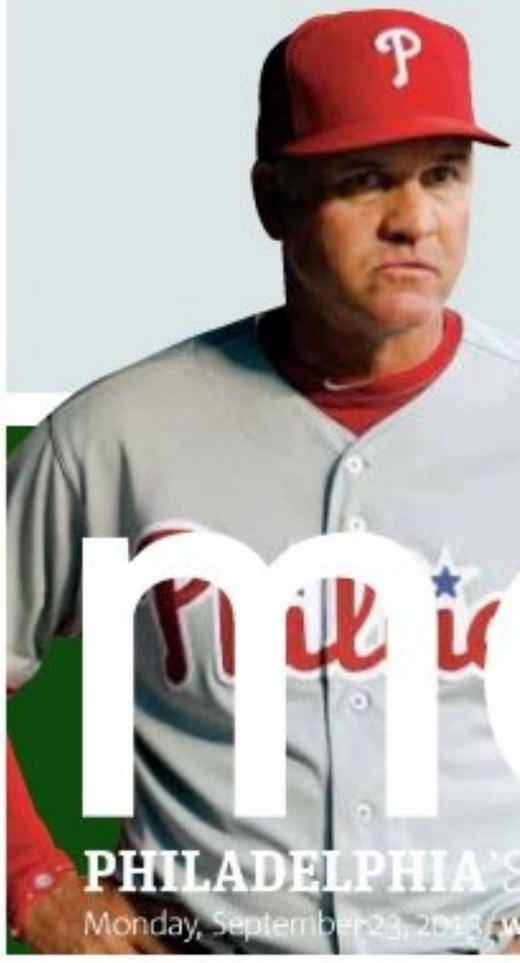

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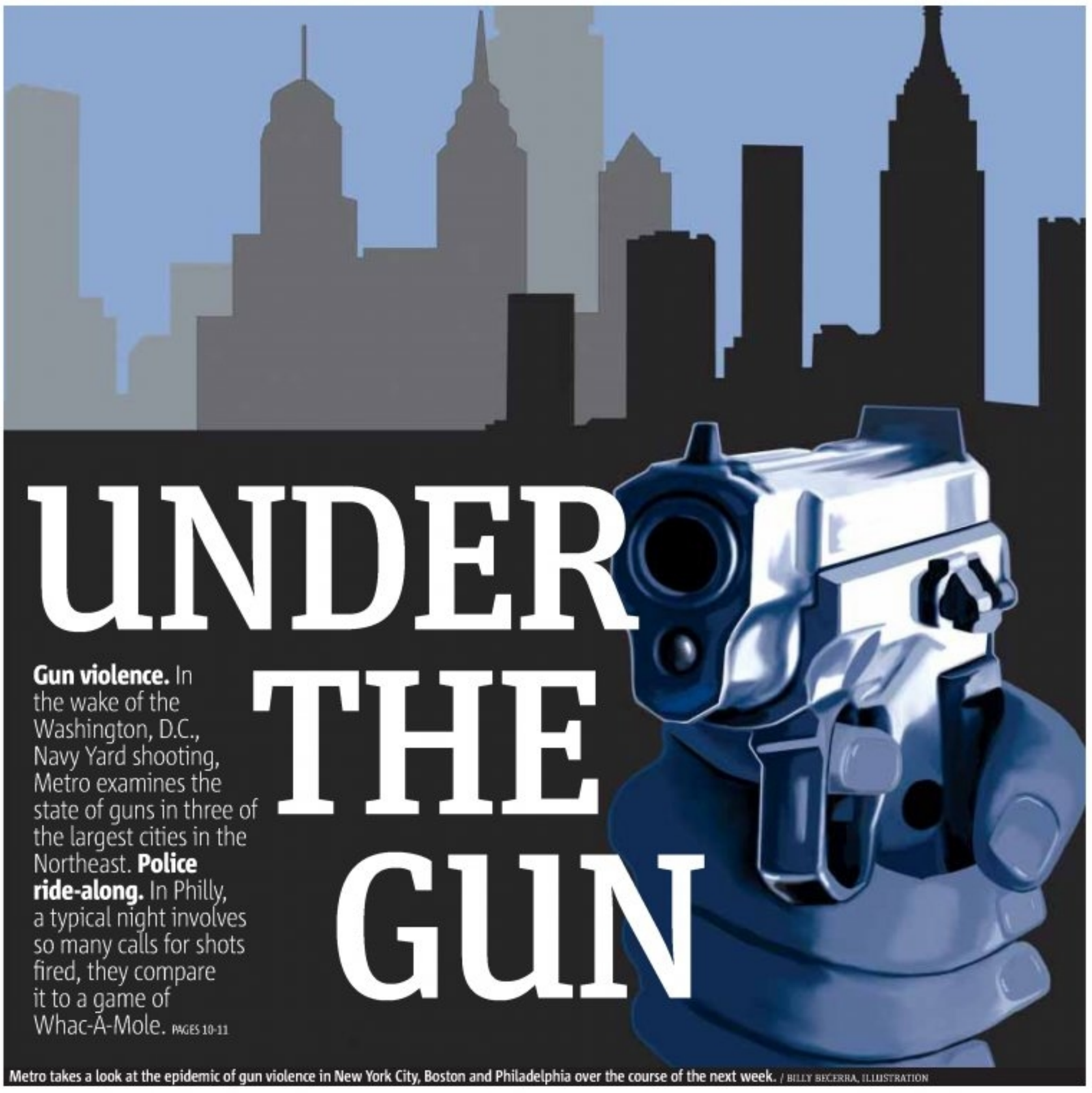

UNDER THE GUN

Gun violence. In the wake of the Washington, D.C., Navy Yard shooting, Metro examines the state of guns in three of the largest cities in the Northeast. **Police ride-along.** In Philly, a typical night involves so many calls for shots fired, they compare it to a game of Whac-A-Mole. PAGES 10-11

Metro takes a look at the epidemic of gun violence in New York City, Boston and Philadelphia over the course of the next week. / BILLY BECERRA, ILLUSTRATION

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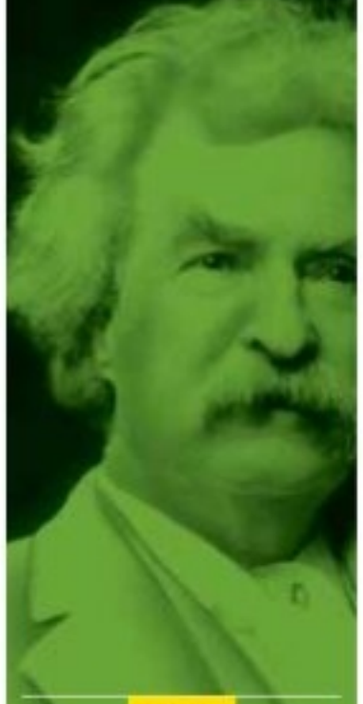

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Miss Philadelphia 2013 Francesca Ruscio basks in the season change.

'You can make your own assumptions about what it was all about'

Birkbeck / PROVIDED

Rendell. Birkbeck talks his new book and details on former Mayor Ed Rendell's investigation by the Pennsylvania State Police.

Matt Birkbeck's new book claims the Pennsylvania State Police investigated former Philadelphia mayor and Pennsylvania governor Ed Rendell in the early 2000s for suspicion of rigging casino-license awards, but failed to find enough proof to file criminal charges.

Slated for an Oct. 1 release, "The Quiet Don" follows the career of northeastern Pennsylvania mob boss Russell Bufalino. In its twist through mob-associated business practices, Birkbeck covers state police suspicions that Rendell pulled strings so gaming licenses would be awarded to those with political and mob ties. Gambling was legalized in the state in 2004.

Birkbeck follows the former No. 2 of the state police, Ralph Periandi, who called for the top-secret investigation and a meeting with the FBI because he believed officials were trying to control the state's new gaming industry.

Specifically, the investigation looked into Rendell's affiliation with Louis DeNaples, a powerful businessman who was awarded a casino license for the Mount Airy Casino Resort despite questions about his past. A message left for Rendell was not returned.

What did you find most interesting as you followed the trail of campaign donations?

Clearly there was a quid pro quo here. Here's a guy that was giving, at most, $5,000 a year in contributions. And the night before the election, he gives Rendell $150,000. There were other acquaintances of DeNaples who were also funneling money through Rendell who had never [or rarely] contributed before. There was a ton of money going into the Rendell campaign. And you can make your own assumptions about what it was all about.

What was your overall impression of how Rendell handled the situation?

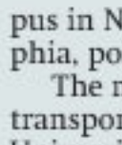
Rendell is a consummate politician. And he's very, very good at what he does. He basically allowed other people to move this whole gaming initiative forward. Whenever the name DeNaples came up, he said he knew DeNaples, but for the most part [Rendell] stayed out of everything. His press people covered up for him.

What most interested you about how Periandi conducted this investigation?

I thought it was really interesting that Periandi couldn't go to the U.S. Attorney's office because he thought they were corrupt. He couldn't go to the attorney general's office because he thought they were worthless. So he ends up going to the Philadelphia FBI and they assemble a meeting with all of their top guys, not just in Philly but throughout the state. And this was the time when they were doing their [Vince] Fumo investigation, which they didn't tell Periandi was working on but they were interested in what Periandi had. And he didn't even tell the commissioner because he knew how sensitive this was going to be.

Quoted

"Rendell is a very, very smart politician, but at the end of the day, when the full story is told, and you see how this whole gaming initiative came about, and you see who got the licenses and how they got the licenses, you see how corrupt the state is." Birkbeck



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Fruitbooting down Center City streets

A pack of rollerbladers rolled down 16th Street yesterday on a beautiful fall day in Center City as temperatures reached the upper 60s. / RIKARD LARMA, METRO

Nabbed. Two killed Rite Aid manager: Cops

Two people are now in custody for the shooting death of a Chester Rite Aid store manager last week, police said.

David Wiggins, 24, of Grays Ferry, was arrested Saturday and faces first degree murder and several weapons charges.

Police yesterday charged 23-year-old Rita Pultro with murder as Wiggins' co-conspirator.

The two allegedly killed Jason McClay, 40, during an attempted robbery of Rite Aid on the 2700 block of W Ninth Street. After a brief scuffle, one of the intruders shot McClay in the head. He had been shot in the head.

Officials say both Wiggins and Pultro have several prior arrests. Reports say Pultro was arrested last year on assault charges while Wiggins had been arrested 18 times. METRO

Critical condition

Man, 22, shot in chest

A 22-year-old man remains in critical condition after he was shot once in the chest around 3 a.m. Saturday blocks from Temple University's main campus in North Philadelphia, police said.

The man, who was transported to Temple University Hospital, was shot on the 2200 block of N. Fairfill Street at 2:53 a.m.

No arrests have been made. TOMMY ROWAN

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Officer fires on double shooting suspect

Gunfire. An officer shot the suspect after a chase and struggle, cops said.

A double shooting yesterday in Frankford resulted in an officer opening fire on the suspect four times during a pursuit.

Police said an officer shortly before 3:30 a.m. responded to a shooting on the 2000 block of Margaret Street. There, a 22-year-old man allegedly shot his ex-girlfriend, 20, in the face and the woman's brother, 21, in the stomach. Both were in critical condition.

Police chased the suspect who allegedly drew a revolver and three times pointed the weapon at the officer, prompting the officer to each time open fire. The third round of gunfire caused the suspect to drop his weapon in a lot and fall over a wall. He then came to a stop in an alley, where the officer ordered him to put his hands up and turn.

But, according to police, as the officer put his gun back and got handcuffs, the suspect tried to punch him and the two wrestled. When the suspect allegedly tried to gain control of the officer's firearm, the officer fired at him a fourth time, shooting him in the back. The suspect was hospitalized in critical condition.

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Internal investigation

Police said the suspect's revolver containing four spent casings was recovered from the lot.

- The shooting is currently being investigated by the Internal Affairs Unit and will then be reviewed by the District Attorney's office.
- The officer involved in the shooting has been placed on administrative duty pending the outcome of the investigation.

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Search

Police seek restaurant theft suspects

Delaware State Police are looking for a couple suspected of committing potentially dozens of thefts from restaurants and convenience stores in Delaware and Maryland.

The male suspect dresses like an employee of the business he's stealing from, while the female suspect acts as a lookout, allowing the man to go into store offices and steal cash. METRO

Jailed

Cops: Man in wheelchair arrested for gun threats

Police on Saturday arrested a wheelchair-bound man for allegedly threatening pedestrians with a handgun in downtown Camden. At around 7:30 a.m. officers were called to 5th and Market streets, where they arrested suspect Jorge Rosado, 39, and recovered from his jacket pocket a .38-caliber handgun. He was jailed on $85,000 bail. METRO

An art date in the park

Brian Geckle and Elise Campbell check out some artwork by Jaeryon Ha at the Rittenhouse Square Fine Art Show fall edition yesterday. / RIKARD LARMA, METRO

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Student sues over Paterno riot arrest

Lawsuit. A Penn State student sued police and State College, claiming his civil rights were violated when he was arrested.

Pennsylvania State University student Matthew Maser on Friday filed a federal lawsuit against the Borough of State College and two police officers for allegedly arresting him without probable cause during the riot that broke out Nov. 10, 2011, after the firing of former head football coach Joe Paterno.

In the complaint, Maser claims he was not participating in the riots, but merely observing. Though a criminal complaint alleges Maser ignored officers' orders to disperse, Maser contends he complied by attempting to walk away.

The suit further claims one of the arresting officers was prejudiced against Maser's fraternity and had confronted Maser at the fraternity house when issuing a citation just several weeks earlier.

Maser was arrested for failure to disperse upon official order and disorderly conduct, but charges were later dismissed.

The suit claims the officers lacked reasonable suspicion to detain or arrest Maser and that their conduct amounted to the use of excessive force, reaching the level of assault and battery, as well as false arrest, false imprisonment and malicious prosecution.

Police Chief Tom King on Saturday told The Centre Daily Times he could not comment in response to the allegations, "as the borough had not been served with the lawsuit."

Quoted

"[Maser] was singled out, detained and charged by the Officer Defendants, at least in substantial part, because he was wearing a T-shirt bearing the Fraternity's 'letters,' which clearly made the statement that [Maser] was proud of his association with the fraternity."

The complaint, which claims the action constituted retaliation against Maser "for exercising his right to free speech under the First Amendment."

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Accident

Motorcycle crash kills one

A 30-year-old man died Friday night in Olney after he lost control of his motorcycle and struck another vehicle, police said. The crash occurred at Fifth and Spencer at 7:27 p.m.

He was transported to Albert Einstein Medical Center with severe head injuries. He was pronounced dead at 7:55 p.m. Police have not released the victim's name.

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Stable

Man shot in thigh

A 24-year-old man is in stable condition after he was shot twice in the left thigh Friday night in Southwest Philadelphia, police said. No arrests have been made.

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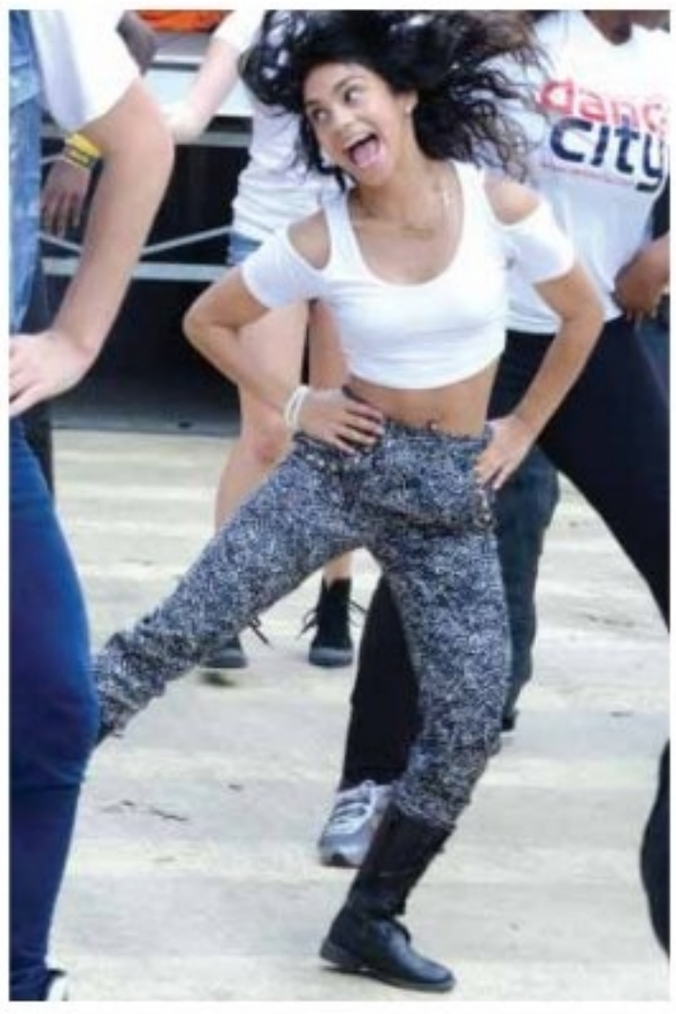

Showtime at the Oval

Brianna Luciano with Dance City performed to Psy's "Gangnam Style" yesterday at the Oval in Center City. The popular summer pop-up venue reopened this past weekend with performances by young artists for Back to School Sunday. People enjoyed other events geared toward fashion on Friday and Saturday. / RIKARD LARMA, METRO

Loved ones of the Navy Yard shooting victims visited the Marine Barracks yesterday. / GETTY IMAGES

Obama speaks at Navy Yard memorial

Services. Obama said the country must make mental health treatment more available.

President Barack Obama made an impassioned plea yesterday for Americans to overcome their "creeping resignation" about gun violence and demand tougher gun laws following the country's latest mass shooting.

"I'm here today to say there's nothing routine about this tragedy. There's nothing routine about your loss," Obama told families at a memorial service for 12 people killed by a gunman last week at the Washington Navy Yard.

"Sometimes I fear there is a creeping resignation that these tragedies are just somehow the way it is," he said at the outdoor service at Marine Barracks Washington, less than three blocks from the base where three women and nine men died in the attack.

"We must insist here today there is nothing normal about innocent men and women being gunned down where they work," Obama said.

Authorities have identified the shooter as Aaron Alexis, 34, a former U.S. Navy reservist working as an information technology contractor. He was killed in a gun battle with police.

There were signs that Alexis had untreated mental health issues. Rhode Island police had warned the Navy in August that Alexis had reported "hearing voices" and said he believed people were following him and "sending vibrations into his body." REUTERS

Quoted

"No other advanced nation endures this kind of violence. None. ... What's different in America is it's easy to get your hands on a gun." Obama

Mass shooting

NRA chief criticizes Navy Yard for being 'unprotected'

A National Rifle Association leader criticized the Washington Navy Yard yesterday for being "unprotected" last week when a mass shooting left 13 dead, including the shooter.

"This is a tragedy that should not have happened, a memorial service that should not be taking place, and victims that should not be victims," Wayne LaPierre, NRA executive vice president, said on NBC's "Meet the Press" program. REUTERS

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MH-60S Knighthawk.
US Navy helicopter crashes in Red Sea

A Navy helicopter crashed in the central Red Sea yesterday with five military personnel on board, a statement from U.S. Naval Forces Central Command, said.

The MH-60S Knighthawk helicopter assigned to Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron 6 crashed while operating with the guided-missile destroyer USS William P. Lawrence, the statement said.

"The status of the five personnel on board the helicopter is still being determined," the statement said. "The crash was not due to any sort of hostile activity." The incident was under investigation, it added. REUTERS

Lane changing

Small plane makes emergency landing on Chicago expressway

A pilot of a small plane was forced to make an emergency landing early yesterday on a busy Chicago expressway that skirts Lake Michigan after waiting for a gap in the traffic, authorities said.

The single-engine plane landed in the northbound lane of a stretch of Lake Shore Drive, just a few blocks east of the skyscrapers of the Loop.

The pilot, who was the only person on board, escaped unscathed, and no other injuries were reported, a police spokesman said. REUTERS

Clinton mulls idea of White House run

Clinton, who served as a senator from New York, ran for the Democratic presidential nomination in 2008 but lost to Barack Obama. / GETTY IMAGES

Quoted

"I think I have a pretty good idea of the political and governmental challenges that are facing our leaders." Hillary Clinton

Bill Clinton. He said his wife's popularity stems from her successes with different people in government.

Hillary Clinton acknowledges that she is wrestling with whether to run for the U.S. presidency in 2016, well aware of the "political and governmental challenges" she would face if she wins.

The former U.S. secretary of state and first lady said in an interview with New York magazine that she has not decided if she will run and is trying to be "both pragmatic and realistic."

"I'm not in any hurry," Clinton told the magazine in an article posted on its website yesterday. "I think it's a serious decision, not to be made lightly, but it's also not one that has to be made soon."

Some of Clinton's confidants who spoke with the magazine are far less circumspect than she is about a presidential run.

"She's running but she doesn't know it yet," one person told New York, which described Clinton as America's most popular Democrat. "It's just like a force of history. It's inexorable, it's gravitational. I think she actually believes she has more say in it than she actually does."

One longtime Clinton friend said: "She's doing a very Clintonian thing. In her mind, she's running for it and she's also convinced herself she hasn't made up her mind. She's going to run for president. It's a foregone conclusion." REUTERS

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Police fight a battle against

The front line. The city of Philadelphia receives constant reminders of the deadly impact of America's obsession with guns.

Sergeant Brent Conway of the Philadelphia Police Department's 19th District on patrol in West Philadelphia. / CHARLES MOSTOLLER, METRO

"Shots fired." It's the third time tonight the call has come across the radio, and Lt. Pat Kelly is becoming concerned. "They're moving us around out here."

Standing by a take-out Chinese spot just a block from the reported shots, two men eye the lieutenant's car as he pulls up. The question is the same one being asked by half a dozen other cops now descending onto this part of the 19th District.

"Did you see anything?"

One man tells Kelly that he may have heard something but couldn't be sure from which direction it had come. The other man repeats three times that he just walked outside.

"OK. Relax," assures Kelly. "We're just trying to find out what's happening."

Spanning six square miles on Philadelphia's western edge, the 19th District is on the front lines of the daily battle against gun crime in this country. With an average of 40 gun-related homicides a year in this southwest Philly district alone, and hundreds of illegal gun seizures, the 19th represents a picture of violence familiar to many of America's inner cities.

It's a place where gunfire has become so common, these questions so routine and attitudes toward police so entrenched, that most people barely lift their heads to answer the officers' questions.

Kelly has been with the Philadelphia Police Department for 21 years. He worked narcotics in the '90s — undercover — participating in more drug buys than he can count. "Drugs and poverty go hand-in-hand," he says.

A gunshot is a Priority One call. It means lights and sirens and running red lights. It also means Kelly, his tactical squad and sometimes a few line cars all converge on one area. These calls have been coming in all night, but the police keep coming up empty-handed.

Over the radio, a fourth call comes in. It's more of the same: gunshots heard near Lansdale Avenue.

There's a part of all police work that's responsive like this, what the officers call Whack-a-Mole. It means jumping from call to call, always on the heels of the violence. But it stands out on a larger scale, too. And it illustrates the fractured state of some of the 19th District's neighbors.

In the '90s, larger street gangs, organized and equipped, controlled these streets. But as the police targeted known leaders, the gang control splintered, dividing territory and neighborhood allegiances. It's not uncommon now to see a gang from 50th Street fighting a gang from 51st. Though even the term "gang" is a poor description to the cops of the 19th.

"These are like neighborhood gangs," an officer in an undercover car said. "They're cliques or crews. Young kids mostly."

Kelly says drug-related violence used to happen in spikes.

"But now it's just arguments," he explains. "Nobody gets into fistfights these days. Used to be somebody wins, somebody loses, but that was it, you carried on with your life. Now, nobody loses, they just find a gun."

More than 3,500 guns were used in crimes or confiscated last year by PPD. Each gun, a separate investigation, has been left to Lt. Joseph Walsh and his team, the Forensic Identification Unit to analyze. Last year, as a result of these investigations, the FIU processed and recorded 68,000 individual pieces of projectile evidence.

Each gun, bullet, jacket and casing has been individually analyzed and compared.

"We confiscated those," said Walsh, tapping an armor-piercing .50-caliber round sitting on his desk, "and it's not nearly the craziest thing we've ever gotten in here."

It's easy when discussing gun crime to become distracted by the unique and sometimes bewildering weapons that Americans can obtain. It's a huge problem, one that diverts resources, attention and political capital away from the real issues.

But for Philadelphia, like the rest of America, the main problem is not these weapons. The problem is and always has been handguns and how they end up in criminals' hands.

"People want to demonize assault weapons," explains Walsh. "But in 2012, 63 percent of all our crime guns were semiautomatic, high-capacity handguns. Twenty-four percent are revolvers."

"That's 3,189 confiscated weapons that were pistol-sized. And then we got 7 percent shotguns and 6 percent rifles."

And many of these guns could have been prevented from ever falling into criminal hands.

According to FIU statistics about a majority of pistols recovered in Philadelphia today, the average time from when the gun was legally purchased to the time it ends up as a weapon in a crime, or time-to-crime, is seven to 10 years. This time span suggests that most of these guns were not straw purchased. The typical time-to-crime for a straw-purchased gun is between six months and a year.

"These are guns that are laying around in people's closets," says Walsh. "Unfortunately, people treat their guns like shoes in this country. We hear it all the time. We'll get guns in the lab and people will say they haven't seen the gun in four years. I don't know how you can legislate it, but if people kept their guns and ammo locked up and acted more responsibly, less guns would make it to the street. I mean, we have to be more responsible with our cars than we do our guns right now."

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By the numbers

3,666
Guns used in crimes confiscated last year by PPD

63
The percentage of all crime guns that were semiautomatic, high-capacity handguns

24
The percentage of guns that are revolvers

Guns in our cities

Following the trail of our bloody streets

Boston, Philadelphia, New York City: three very different cities with a common problem. Gun violence has destroyed the lives of countless individuals and families on their streets and wrought devastation across vibrant neighborhoods, searing itself into their fabric.

Over the next week, Metro will examine the impact that gun violence has had on those cities, as well as our country, in the aftermath of the recent massacres at the Washington, D.C., Navy Yard; Sandy Hook Elementary; and Aurora, Colo. We will look at what each city is doing to combat the age-old problem of gun violence and change the deadly culture that, on a daily basis, leaves its bloody imprint on our communities.

THE EDITORS

Searching for a reason

"I mean, there used to be a reason behind it: the drugs, crime, money. Now it's like you can't have an argument over a game in the park without a shooting."

Lt. Pat Kelly

gun violence daily

Big drop in deaths

Record low gun crime recorded in NYC

The number of shootings, and fatal shootings, are at historic lows in New York City, according to data from the mayor's office.

As of Sept. 8, there were 131 fatal shootings this year. That amounts to a 30 percent decrease from the same time period in 2012, when 188 fatal shootings were recorded.

The 131 fatal shootings accounted for 57 percent of all homicides in the city this year. Last year, gun violence was the cause of 60 percent of the city's homicides over the same period.

There are almost six times as many non-fatal shootings as fatal shootings, but even that figure is down. As of Sept. 8, the city recorded 774 shooting incidents, a 24 percent drop from last year's 1,029 over the same period.

DANIELLE TCHOLAKIAN

By the numbers

160
The number of people hit by gunfire, from Jan. through Aug. 26, 2013, in Boston

90
The percentage of victims of gun violence in New York City that are black or Latino, Bloomberg says

25
The number of fatal shootings in Boston that happened during that same period

8K
The number of guns seized from stop-and-frisk stops since 2002

Fatalities

Deadly gun violence in Boston sees increase in 2013

Gun violence is proving to be a bloodier scourge on Boston so far in 2013 than compared to the same time last year.

The most recent data released by the Boston Police Department shows that as of Aug. 26, fatal shootings numbered at 25 compared to 21 during that period last year.

Shootings in which a person was not fatally injured have also risen. As of late August, 160 people had been hit by gunfire compared to 143 at the same time last year.

What's more, those numbers don't include the recent spate of violence on a bloody Sept. 14 that sent seven people to the hospital with gun shot wounds and left a 25-year-old Boston man dead after a shooting.

Loved ones console each other at the scene where a man was shot in Boston, Mass., on April 1, 2013. / GETTY IMAGES

Those people were shot in four separate incidents that Boston Police Commissioner Ed Davis said did not appear to be related. Some of the incidents were gang-related and connected to other violent incidents, he said.

Davis said that the uptick occurred after a lull in violent activity and that spikes in violence have a tendency to group into small time frames after quiet periods.

"We certainly increased our presence out there, and we're doing everything we can to make sure the violence subsides."

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CULTURE

Twitter feed

We check in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to.

Rose McGowan is not making new friends and Judd Apatow looks like he's lost weight.

@rosemcgowan: a DJ just yelled at me. "Respect my Art!!" Bahaha. OK, don't suck.

@JuddApatow: You know you've gained weight when everyone keeps telling you that you look like you've lost weight.

The ever-demure Miley Cyrus performs at the iHeartRadio Music Festival at the MGM Grand Garden Arena on Saturday in Las Vegas. / FILMMAGIC

Cyrus twerks with a little person, wears this

Miley Cyrus has learned nothing from her much-panned performance at the VMAs. In fact, it seems like our tsk-tsk-ing is only feeding the low-rent Gwen Stefani-wannabe beast. Case in point, Cyrus not only wore this outfit to the iHeartRadio Music Festival this weekend, but she also butt-slapped a twerking little person and sang into a banana microphone. I mean, we already have one KeSha. Does the world really need another?

Perhaps Cyrus was acting out after a very busy weekend. Besides looking like a pornographic polar bear, photographers spotted a moving truck outside of Cyrus' Los Angeles home on Friday, rumored to be her ex-fiance Liam Hemsworth's, collecting the rest of his belongings, according to TMZ.

Ugh / FILMMAGIC

THE WORD

Dorothy Robinson takes on the world of gossip.

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Samberg is a married man

Andy Samberg and singer Joanna Newsom tied the knot this weekend in an intimate ceremony in Big Sur, Calif., according to Us Weekly. Samburg proposed to Newsom in February. He admitted to Ryan Seacrest in an interview that planning the wedding wasn't easy. "So far it's been nothing but stress and joy," he said. "The joy is in the lady herself. The stress is in the planning. We tried to go small and it was just impossible."

Russia bans Selena Gomez

SELENA GOMEZ IS TOO CONTROVERSIAL FOR RUSSIA. / FILMMAGIC

She speaks truth to power, and some people just can't handle that. They don't want her coming into their safe little world and making them think with her radical ways. I am referring, of course, to Selena Gomez.

Russia has banned the former Disney star, apparently because of her support for gay rights. According to Hollywood Life, Gomez was set to perform in Moscow and St. Petersburg, but she'll have to cancel the Russian leg after being refused a visa.

Russia is depriving the country of some very important pop stars. If the Russians will only admit American stars who share their views on gay rights, they'll be left with Kirk Cameron and the weird Baldwin brother.

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Music fests. Scenes from the iHeartRadio Music Festival

1 **Kylie Jenner**, **Kourtney Kardashian**, **Miley Cyrus**, **Khloe Kardashian Odom** and **Kendall Jenner** posed together.

2 **Britney Spears** wore short black shorts, stilettos and a black lace bra to introduce Miley Cyrus on stage.

3 **Paul McCartney** debuted several tracks from his upcoming studio album, "New."

4 **Avril Lavigne** also performed.

5 **Ian Somerhalder** was there to introduce Maroon 5 to the stage.

6 **Ke$ha** took shots of Jack Daniel's during her Saturday night performance.

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Little help from his friends

Awards. Neil Patrick Harris reached out to past hosts for his second stint on the Emmys.

Jane Lynch and Jimmy Kimmel crash Neil Patrick Harris' Emmys opener. / GETTY IMAGES

Apparently going for the EGOT of awards show hosting, Neil Patrick Harris returned for the second time helming the Emmys. His résumé didn't exactly need it. For those keeping track at home, Harris has — in addition to doing Emmys duty in 2010 — led the Tonys four times and emceed less esteemed cermonies like the TV Land Awards, the Spike Video Game Awards and the World Magic Awards (plus "Saturday Night Live").

His job tonight was to best last year's suitably irreverent host, Jimmy Kimmel — and to fun up a show that historically is neither as loose as The Golden Globes nor as comically pompous as the Oscars. (And it's definitely not as showboat-y as the Tonys.)

It was an issue he was aware of. After a pretaped segment that was more clever than funny, it went right into the usual canned laughs about smartphones and twerking. It was at this point that Kimmel himself interjected from the crowd, followed by other past hosts: Jane Lynch, Jimmy Fallon and Conan O'Brien — plus Kevin Spacey, breaking the fourth wall to deliver a "House of Cards"-style monologue, with Southern accent, to the camera. Harris himself faded into the background, as though admitting that this wouldn't be his best performance.

The awards themselves went as quickly as possible. Merritt Weaver, nominated for Outstanding Supporting Actress for a Comedy Series for "Nurse Jackie" last year, won on her second go. With time on her mind, she thanked everyone, then blurted out, "I gotta go, bye." (Harris pronounced the best speech ever — if not the shortest. Alfred Hitchcock, when accepting his Lifetime Oscar, said simply, "Thank you.")

Tony Hale, by contrast, sped through an endless thank-you list when winning for his supporting turn on HBO's political satire "Veep." Julia Louis-Dreyfus, who plays the second-in-command on the show, grabbed her second award for the show while doing a comedy bit: Hale stood faithfully by her side, as he does on the show, not so quietly feeding her lines.

When accepting her award for Outstanding Writing for a Comedy Series for "30 Rock," Tracey Wigfield apologized to Louis C.K. for stealing what should have been his trophy.

Keeping things brief is important — especially as this whole affair stretches deep into the night — but Robin Williams' zany-yet-melancholic tribute to the late Jonathan Winters, who died earlier this year, was much too short, and noticeably lacking in a triumphant montage.

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Best of the best

Here are just a few of the night's big winners:

Lead Actress in a Comedy Series
Julia Louis-Dreyfus, "Veep"

Lead Actor in a Comedy Series
Jim Parsons, "The Big Bang Theory"

Supporting Actress for a Comedy Series
Merritt Weaver, "Nurse Jackie"

Supporting Actor for a Comedy Series
Tony Hale, "Veep"

Guest Actress on a Comedy Show
Melissa Leo, "Louis"

Guest Actor on a Comedy Show
Bob Newhart, "The Big Bang Theory"

Directing on a Comedy Show
Gail Mancuso, "Modern Family"

Writing for a Comedy Series
Tina Fey and Tracey Wigfield, "30 Rock"

Red carpet. Some stars looked (a lot) better than others

1 **Elisabeth Moss** showed off a sexy blonde crop that paired perfectly with her sparkly black-and-white gown.

2 **Michelle Dockery** proved she's all the lady — Lady Mary, that is — she's cracked up to be in this color-blocked Erdem silk crepe dress.

3 **Lena Dunham**, we love you, we really do, but you need to fire your stylist. That tent isn't doing you any favors.

4 **Malin Akerman** got caught in a cotton candy machine and emerged in this Marchesa gown.

5 **Zosia Mamet**, we have a feeling your "Girls" character Shoshanna would, like, definitely not be into this whole watercolor-dress-with-a-mustache-bra gown by Honor.

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TV watch list

COMEDY

'How I Met Your Mother'

We're not really sure where this show can go from here, now that we've met the title matriarch. The writers must be similarly tapped out, because this entire — final — season takes place over the span of Robin and Barney's wedding weekend. We'll tune in anyway though, because we need to know exactly how Ted and the Mother met. We need to.

SEASON PREMIERE, 8 P.M., CBS

"Hostages" premieres on CBS tonight. / NICOLE RIVELLI/CBS

DRAMA

'Hostages'

We're still bummed that "Dexter" kicked the bucket last night, but, luckily, it looks like there will be plenty of dark TV shows to take its place this fall (uh, "American Horror Story" with witches, anyone?). "Hostages" boasts former "AHS" star Dylan McDermott as an FBI agent who, for unexplained reasons, goes rogue and holds a family hostage.

SERIES PREMIERE, 10 P.M., CBS

TALENT

'The Voice'

"American Idol" lost its luster for us about a decade ago (or whenever it was that crazy-pants Paula Abdul defected), but we've got to admit that "The Voice" still does it for us. Maybe it's the banter between the judges, maybe it's Adam Levine's sinewy, inked-up arms (what?) or maybe it's that the talent level seems like a cut above. Any way you slice it, we're still watching.

SEASON PREMIERE, 8 P.M., NBC

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Meet the winners of 'So You Think You Can Dance'

TV. The new champs will hit the road this summer.

From the very start, Amy Yakima and Fik-Shun Stegall, both 19, were a package deal. America seemed to think so too, since viewers voted them America's favorite female and male dancers on Season 10 of "So You Think You Can Dance" earlier this month.

The duo, affectionately deemed "Team Small" by viewers, is the first set of winners to also have been dance partners from the beginning of the season.

Despite Yakima's jazz background and Stegall's hip-hop inclinations, the pair clicked right away.

"I think we have the same work ethic," Yakima told reporters after the victory. "We're kind of perfectionists when it comes down to it. I think America loves to watch two people grow together, and we did."

Admittedly, runners-up Jasmine Harper and Aaron Turner grew together too. Yakima spoke to the talent of their competitors: "Jasmine is a beautiful dancer. She dances way longer, more extended than me. And Aaron's a tap dancer and is the best performer I've ever seen."

So what pushed Yakima and Stegall ahead? "To be honest, it was just in the hands of America to vote, and they just happened to vote our way, which was awesome," Stegall said.

But perhaps the growth that the winners demonstrated helped turn the vote their way. "We started literally from nothing; we had no idea who each other were or what we were about," Yakima said. "We grew every single week with whatever style we were given."

The pair credits their improvement to one another. "Amy's definitely had more training than me, by far," Stegall said. "I felt like I definitely did grow a lot because of her. [She] tells me what it is I should be doing and then explains it to me in a way that makes sense."

"He taught me how to listen to the music and actually live through the music instead of just going by the count," Yakima countered.

There's no rest in sight for the two winners. Training has already begun for a 42-city tour.

"I think it's going to be fun; there's going to be less pressure because it's not a competition," Stegall said. "We're going to feed off each other's energy."

With sights set beyond the tour, both Yakima and Stegall view "SYTYCD" as a stepping stone to a bigger dance career. Yakima has her sights set on Los Angeles, for instance, because she says "the dance world is really out here."

The two winners walk away from the show with a cash prize of $125,000 each.

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Get tickets for the "So You Think You Can Dance" tour, featuring Amy Yakima and Fik-Shun Stegall, at www.ticketmaster.com. /FOX VIA GETTY IMAGES

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"I think America loves to watch two people grow together, and we did."

Yakima

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Box office. Everyone saw Hugh Jackman torture Paul Dano

"Prisoners," a dark thriller starring Hugh Jackman as a father on a desperate search for his missing daughter, locked up the weekend box office title in the United States and Canada, grabbing $21.4 million in ticket sales during its first three days in theaters.

Last weekend's leader, the low-budget horror picture "Insidious: Chapter 2," dropped to second place with $14.5 million, according to studio estimates on Sunday.

The dance movie "Battle of the Year" made its debut in the No. 5 slot with $5 million, topped by both mob comedy "The Family" with $7 million and Spanish language hit "Instructions Not Included" with $5.7 million.

"Prisoners" earned strong reviews from critics and early Oscar buzz after a screening at the Toronto International Film Festival this month. The film is the story of the search for two girls who are kidnapped on Thanksgiving Day. One of their fathers, a Pennsylvania survivalist played by Jackman, grows frustrated with the police investigation and employs his own methods to find out what happened.

The movie was produced for $46 million by Alcon Entertainment and distributed by Warner Bros., a unit of Time Warner Inc.

Ticket sales for "Insidious: Chapter 2," about a family haunted by spirits, dropped 64 percent from its debut a week earlier. The $5 million production has grossed a cumulative $60.9 million through Sunday.

The 3-D "Battle of the Year" cost $20 million to make. The film stars "Lost" TV show actor Josh Holloway as the coach of a team competing in an international breakdancing competition. R&B singer Chris Brown plays one of the dancers.

The Robert De Niro comedy "The Family," about a mobster who relocates his family to France, finished in the No. 3 spot on the weekend charts, while the hit Mexican family film "Instructions Not Included" was fourth, with ticket sales up 17 percent in its fourth weekend in release, for a cumulative box office total of $34.3 million. REUTERS

Hugh Jackman and Maria Bello are really happy you all saw "Prisoners" this weekend. / WARNER BROS. PICTURES

Top 5 earners

1. **'Prisoners'** $21.4 million
2. **'Insidious: Chapter 2'** $14.5 million
3. **'The Family'** $7 million
4. **'Instructions Not Included'** $5.7 million
5. **'Battle of the Year'** $5 million

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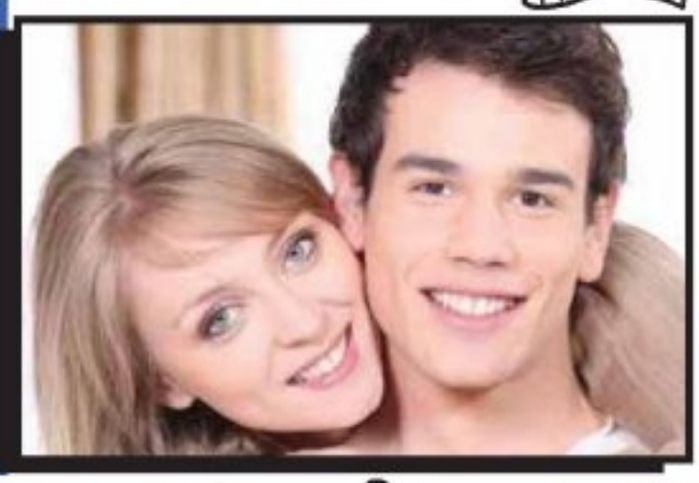

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Pirate radio. What happens when you slow down a Justin Bieber song?

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For the next week, the Pew Center for Arts & Heritage's New Spaces/ New Formats festival will find members of the local music community performing in and around historic Christ Church and experimenting with unusual approaches. But it kicks off at 10 a.m. tomorrow with a 12-hour radio broadcast — a performance without a space, in a format familiar to anyone who's ever dialed up a classic rock station during a Sunday drive.

But Lee Tusman's SLOW FM does fit the festival's theme: It's a pirate radio broadcast, thereby seizing hold of its own space, as well as being an online broadcast that will be archived afterward. And then there's the music itself. Tusman will spin SLOW music, a genre he likens to the slow food movement, that's dedicated to slowing down music to often absurd degrees to create new work or simply present the decelerated sounds on their own.

"The style has influenced the contemporary hip-hop and electronic movement, both in the experimental music scenes as well as on mainstream radio," Tusman says. "You can find Drake and Kanye West productions slowed down and officially released, but you can also find slowed-down experimental music albums, subcultural music, even experimental jazz, hip-hop and ambient music."

Search YouTube and you'll find Justin Bieber hits slowed down 800 percent to sound like mysterious Sigur Rós tunes. On SLOW FM, pieces like that will share space with the music of slow hip-hip pioneer DJ Screw and mixes by other artists. "To some degree, it's a big mish-mash," Tusman admits, "but because it's slow it will sound like a really beautiful accumulation of sometimes warbly but often ethereal music."

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Many people carry disastrous relationship experiences from the past into the present. Holding onto that old anger or resentment inevitably transfers negative vibes onto future relationships. It sabotages the possibility of creating healthy new bonds — and keeps you rooted in the dark parts of your history so you can't experience all the amazing possibilities of the now.

The old stories we carry around keep us stuck, blocked and disconnected from others. The first step to releasing these blocks is to shine some light on the fear-based stories we've been replaying. What are the relationship stories you've believed in for decades? What did you learn as a young child that you carry with you today? Maybe you feel inadequate. Or possibly you feel unworthy of love. There are all kinds of limiting, fear-based stories that we learn at a young age and carry around with us.

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Change the story by rewriting the script. Start by writing out the current fear-based story you've been living. Then rewrite it: In a notebook, tell the new story of how you want to feel in relationships. Clearly outline the fears you want to release. Committing to changing the story is a radical step on your journey toward fearless relationships. The next time you witness yourself playing out your fear story, take a moment to read the new story you've crafted. In an instant you can remind yourself of what is real and commit to a new pattern.

The next step to becoming more fearless in relationships is to check your breath. When you're stuck in fear, you're likely not breathing. Your breath alone can smooth over a negative feeling and, in an instant, change the energy between you and another person. Use your breath as a powerful tool for shifting your energy in relationships.

Real change comes with a true desire to change. To bring more love into your relationships, therefore, it's important that you make a daily commitment to change. Start each day with an affirmation or prayer that sets you up to win. You may say, "Today I intend to bring more love into my relationships." Or, "Today I will be fearless and free in my relationships." This simple shift can change your entire attitude, energy and life.

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Volunteering with extra life experience

Aid abroad. Retirees bring a little salt and pepper into the Peace Corps volunteer experience.

A pigtailed Linda Hebenstreit leads an activity as a Peace Corps volunteer in the Ukraine. / PROVIDED

Most Americans think of a Peace Corps volunteer as a hippie straight out of college. While the average age of those serving is 28, 7 percent of approximately 8,000 volunteers worldwide are over 50. Although retired volunteers may face slightly different challenges overseas than their younger counterparts, they also arrive in their host countries with experiences that benefit their service personally and professionally.

Peace Corps literature emphasizes the benefits of serving later in life: "50-plus volunteers are generally accorded respect for their age and wisdom, and often mentor younger volunteers." Native Minnesotans Linda and David Hebenstreit, both in their 60s, were sworn in as Peace Corps volunteers in Krivoy Rog, Ukraine, in December 2012. The Hebenstreits are both English-language education volunteers, which allows Linda to draw upon her teaching experience from back in the States. This summer, they ran a large summer camp for Ukrainian students and teens that focused on creativity and leadership. It featured a video greeting personally recorded for the camp by the mayor of Duluth, Linda's hometown.

While many older volunteers, including Linda and David, cite learning the local language as a challenge, this has not impeded their work. "One of the most important things we do here is English Club," Linda says. "People are hungry for the opportunity to speak with Americans. Americans carry with them a shine here." They also have helpful tools, like Google Translate and, of course, their Ukrainian neighbors. "People are very, very kind," David says.

Any minute now, the Hebenstreits will become first-time grandparents. While volunteers in the Peace Corps' early years may have depended on snail mail, many now rely on computers to communicate with faraway family members. "Of course, you can't have this conversation without mentioning Skype," David says. The Hebenstreits have used their vacation time to visit their daughter and son-in-law at their home in Belgium, and plan to meet the new baby soon. "We had said we'll wait until Christmas to visit again," Linda says. "But now I'm backpedaling on that."

The Hebenstreits have 18 months left in Krivoy Rog and plan to settle somewhere on the sea after their service. They have no regrets about serving. "I think it's worth letting people know that the Peace Corps really values older volunteers," Linda says. "We're very well taken care of. It's something that we'll have for the rest of our lives. I'm so glad we decided to do it."

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College admissions anxiety gets turned into a new novel

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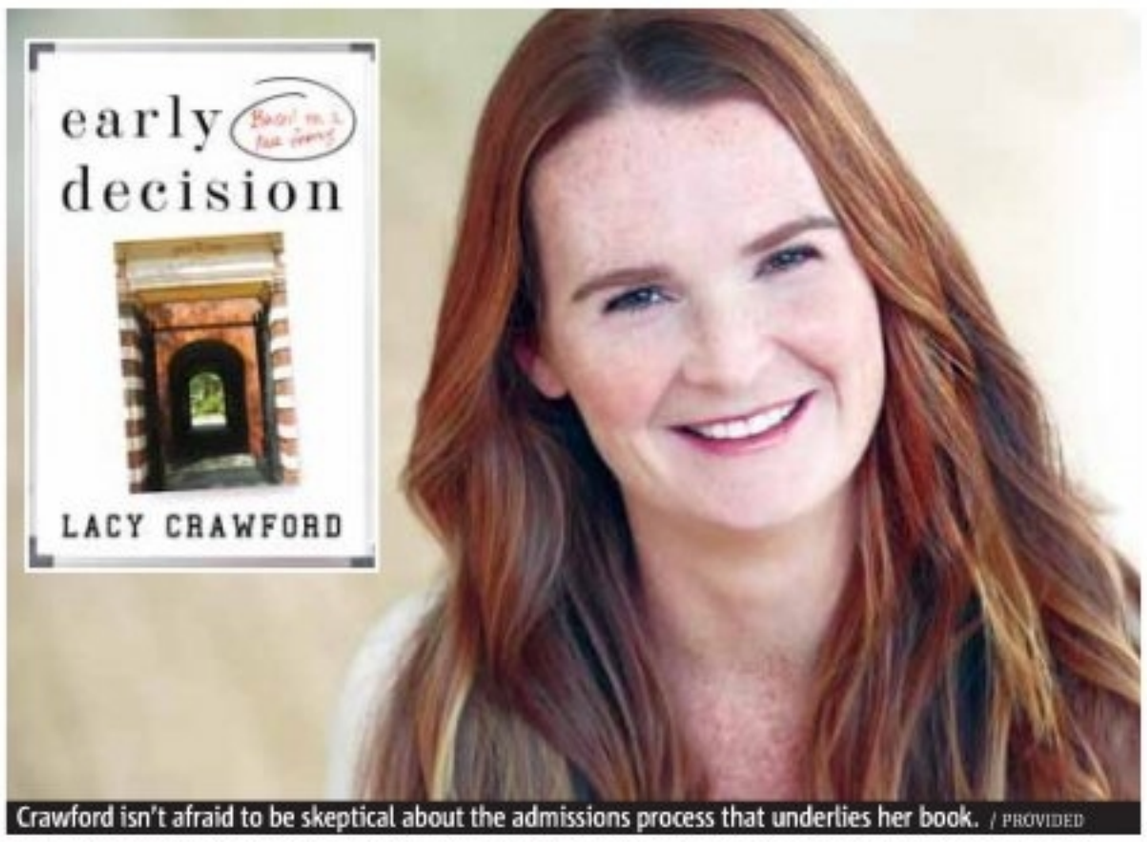

Crawford isn't afraid to be skeptical about the admissions process that underlies her book. / PROVIDED

As a college counselor, Lacy Crawford thought she understood how students and their parents were driven crazy by the college application process — until she had a baby. Crawford says that as soon as she was "late" to sign her 4-month-old son up for preschool, she truly felt what it was like to walk in the shoes of the parents she'd been advising. That experience became her novel, "Early Decision," which follows a top-tier college counselor and her students through the head-spinning frenzy of college applications. We asked Crawford about walking the line between fiction and memoir for her debut novel.

Where do the characters in the book come from?
All of the stories in "Early Decision" are based on things that happened. There were interactions between parents and students that really troubled me, that I couldn't get out of my memory and I wanted to try to understand them. I also wanted to write them in a fun way — it's a satire. It's accessible, and it's meant to let parents and students see what this process is doing to us.

So what do you feel the process is doing to us?
I think [the college application process] puts the emphasis on getting in rather than growing up. So, I had the characters begin with their essays [the book features college essays from Crawford's fictional students]. I wrote their essays and then I figured out who their parents were and went from there.

It sounds like you're a little bit skeptical about the application process. Is that true?
I'm not an education expert — my experience is only anecdotal, but I think the process privileges the very privileged, the rich kids who attend private schools all the way through, or public schools in towns that have the really good schools. Those are the kids who know what they're competing for and how to compete for it. At the other end of the spectrum, there are underserved young people who, when they can perform, the top colleges are desperate for them. If you are an ethnic minority coming out of a top (or a terrible) public high school and you have great scores, Harvard, Princeton and Yale will fight each other for you. In the middle are hundreds of thousands of kids, maybe millions — lots and lots of kids who are good, bright kids, coming out of middling high schools who haven't given them the resources they need to know what colleges are out there. And their parents are maybe working full time and maybe not obsessed with Yale, so they don't have the time and the resources to figure out how to give their kids all the boosts that the rich kids are getting.

So how do you feel about your own kids and college?
My fantasy for my boys is actually a fantasy for myself. I hope that by the time they are 17, I am so confident of their character and so sure that they know their own hearts that I will be able to support whatever decisions they make. I think that, barring the obvious, there's no such thing as a mistake when you're 17 or 18. If you're a good and honest young person, you can make choices that will make you have a more circuitous path than somebody may have wished for you. In my life that was the case, and I wouldn't take back years of dumb stuff. That's what I needed to get here.

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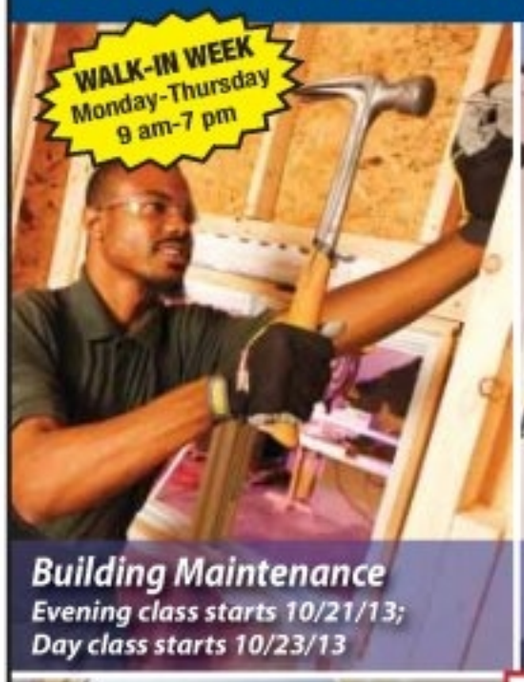

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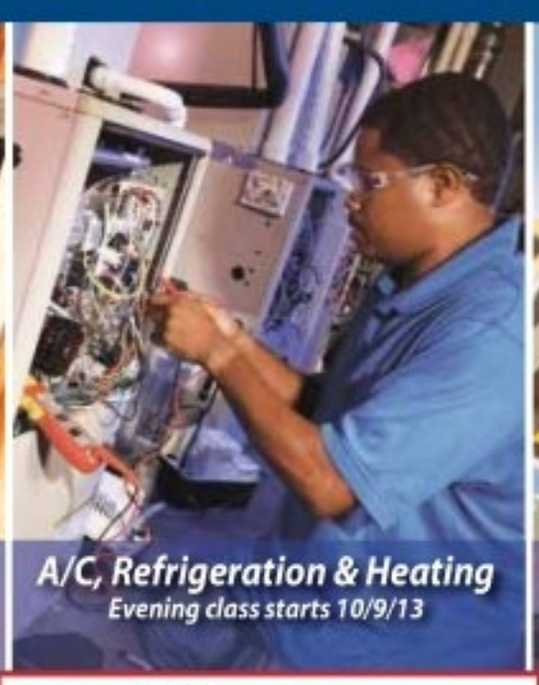
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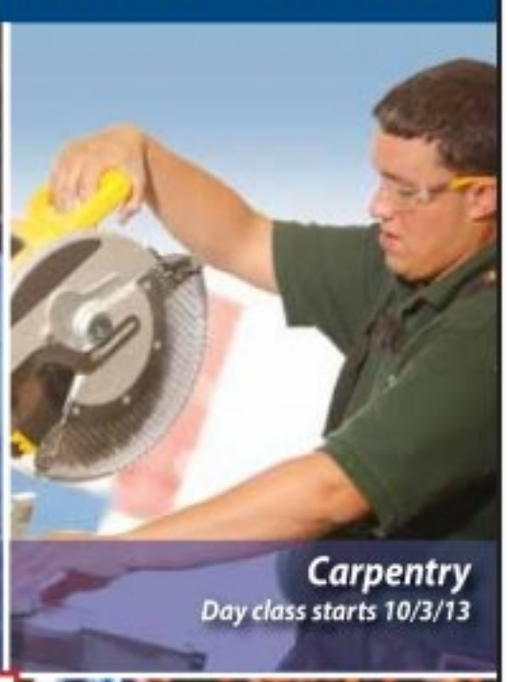
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A makeover for college campus grub

Campuses aren't typically hailed for their culinary treasures, but it only takes one student, administrator or entrepreneur — or all three working together — to create tasty alternatives to the bland dining-hall experience. Here are three of this year's movers and shakers on the campus cuisine scene.

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The Magic Carpet food truck is a mainstay of veggie and vegan eating for all students — and it has the line to prove it. / PROVIDED

Fairfield University

A garden-to-cafeteria concept

Dana August, a 2011 graduate, was an ardent advocate for healthy eating during her time at Fairfield University. One of this student sustainability coordinator's proposed initiatives, the Fairfield University Campus Garden, has been up and running since 2010. Every week students deliver produce to their campus dinning hall, as well as host a summer "Lunch in the Garden" series, not to mention the ever-popular November garlic planting festivities.

University of Pennsylvania

This lunch truck mainstay still has a magic touch

A legendary fixture on the University of Pennsylvania campus, the Magic Carpet truck was serving up vegan and vegetarian fare long before it was chic. When the truck opened in 1984, there were few, if any, veggie options in the UPenn dining halls. Times have changed, but a long line still forms at the corner of 34th and Walnut and snakes around the corner. "The vegan crowd has really grown. That's helped us," says co-owner Dean Varvoutis. "But, actually, vegetarians have only ever been about 25 percent of our business. Students hear about us early on, and it's repeat business the whole time." Varvoutis and his partner Deborah Carson recently opened a Magic Carpet Jr. truck nearby to keep up with demand.

University of Delaware

Mashgiach in the dining hall

According to CollegeXpress, more than 70 colleges nationwide offer kosher meal options. U of D plans to add itself to that list in 2015, and the school is sure to make a big splash in the kosher community while doing so. Not only will its new dining center feature a kosher station, the university has also committed to hiring a certified mashgiach (food supervisor) to oversee all the food preparation.

Top 15

Here are the 15 best colleges for food in America for 2013.

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2. Washington University, Missouri
3. Virginia Tech, Virginia
4. Emory University, Georgia
5. UCLA, California
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Harvard, the wealthiest college in the nation, is reaching out to donors to increase its endowment.

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Ka-ching. The wealthiest university in the world is seeking funding to bolster teaching, research and financial aid programs.

Harvard, the richest university in the United States, announced on Saturday it will seek to raise some $6.5 billion in donations to fund new academic initiatives and bolster its financial aid program.

The Cambridge, Massachusetts-based university has already raised $2.8 billion from more than 90 thousand donors during the pre-launch phase of the campaign, its first major fundraising drive in more than a decade, it said in a press release.

The money will help Harvard, ranked America's number two university behind Princeton by U.S. News & World Report this year, "ensure its leadership role in the rapidly shifting landscape of higher education," it said.

Nearly half of the money will support teaching and research initiatives, while a quarter will be used to fund financial aid and related programs. The rest will go toward capital improvements and a flexible fund, Harvard said.

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Harvard already has an investment portfolio worth around $30.7 billion, roughly the size of the annual gross domestic product of the Baltic nation of Latvia.

That endowment shrank 0.05 percent in the fiscal year ending in 2012, after double-digit gains the previous year, according to the most recent figures from the university.

A Harvard spokeswoman did not immediately comment on why the university required the donation drive in order to fund the new initiatives.

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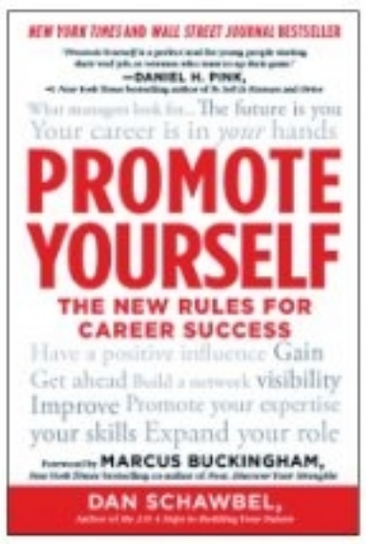
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Horoscope

♎ Libra | Sept. 23-Oct. 22. Keep life simple and avoid over-the-top expenses or responsibilities that will hinder the ability to take care of your needs.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23-Nov. 21. Improve your living space. Any projects that can enhance the way you look and feel will help you project a better image.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22-Dec. 21. A day trip that offers adventure or new experiences could prove advantageous. Let your free spirit take over, and be on the lookout for opportunity.

♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22-Jan 20. Don't be shy, and make sure you loudly express your reasons for the decisions you make. Have confidence.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21-Feb 18. Too much self-criticism can be debilitating. Look at your positive qualities and work at perfecting the things you enjoy most.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19-March 20. You've got what it takes to make a difference. Use your skills and offer help, and you will make an impression that will lead to greater prosperity.

♈ Aries | March 21-April 20. Don't allow personal problems to stand between you and your goals. Step outside your situation and establish what you need.

♉ Taurus | April 21-May 21. Be aware of what's going on around you before you take any irrevocable steps. Stick to rules.

♊ Gemini | May 22-June 20. Play around with options that could improve your living space. Joining new groups will lead to valuable networking opportunities. An open attitude will lead to good fortune.

♋ Cancer | June 21-July 22. Do your own thing. Don't expect everyone to agree with you. Letting go could be the smartest move.

♌ Leo | July 23-Aug. 22. Offer suggestions to people seeking help, but don't take on responsibilities that aren't yours.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23-Sept. 22. Focus on participation today, be it in your community or in your career. Becoming more involved in a cause or group will lead to new friends and lasting relationships.

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Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Letters

A little copper never hurt anyone

Re: 'All about IUDs: The invisible birth control' (Metro, Sept. 19) I am a provider of women's health care (a nurse-midwife) and while I love it when information reaches many about good birth control options for women, I shudder when there is misleading information released and worry it will limit women's knowledge of options. To say copper is released from a ParaGard IUD sounds misleading, as most people don't know that we also take trace amounts of copper into our bodies each day in diet as well, where it serves good purposes. It is more useful to explain that ParaGard, by its presence in a uterus, acts as spermicide and prevents sperm from reaching and fertilizing the egg. Further, the ParaGard most often causes heavier periods (not cessation of periods as indicated in the article). Lastly, women can seek more information about control methods through many types of practitioners, including certified nurse-midwives, nurse-practitioners and physician assistants. Women should know they are not limited to getting care from physicians only.

ANGELA FERRARI, VIA EMAIL

The kindness of strangers

I would like to recognize and give thanks to my own personal first responders who helped me when I fell this past Thursday. From the gentleman who took charge and called for an ambulance, to the lady who with patience and humor directed traffic until the police got there, to those who stood at the ready in case they were needed — all were wonderful. DIANNE RICHARDSON, VIA EMAIL

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10 Roused up
14 Roomy
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17 Bobby of Indy fame
18 Kassel's river
19 Inspired poetry
20 Favor
22 Trace element in salt
24 Survey finding
25 Determine value
26 Zodiac sign
30 Hindu princess
32 Mighty — — oak
33 Foggy
35 World fairs
40 Shut the gate
42 Fishing spots
44 Raw-fish delicacy
45 Omnia vincit —
47 Evening in Paris
48 Spanish painter
50 Raises up
52 Paid for
56 Exploding star
58 Surprise attack
59 Made a fist
64 Ponce de —
65 Goddess of strife
67 Mad Hatter's guest
68 Unforeseen difficulty
69 Magritte or Russo
70 Move to the beat
71 "The Thin Man" pooch
72 Rotate
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1 Put-down
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4 Palm reader's opener (2 wds.)
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6 Archaeology find
7 Pistol or sword
8 Compass pt.
9 From Damascus
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11 Rock 'n' roll classic
12 Wails
13 Hairpin curves
21 Woman in white
23 Basket willow
26 Guys' partners
27 Hairy twin
28 Gym pads
29 Creep along
31 Lhasa —
34 Call it — —
36 Warrior princess
37 Fab Four name
38 Jump over
39 Bygone Concorde fleet
41 Peaks
43 Fountain in Rome
46 "Moon River" composer
49 The rest
51 Coleridge setting
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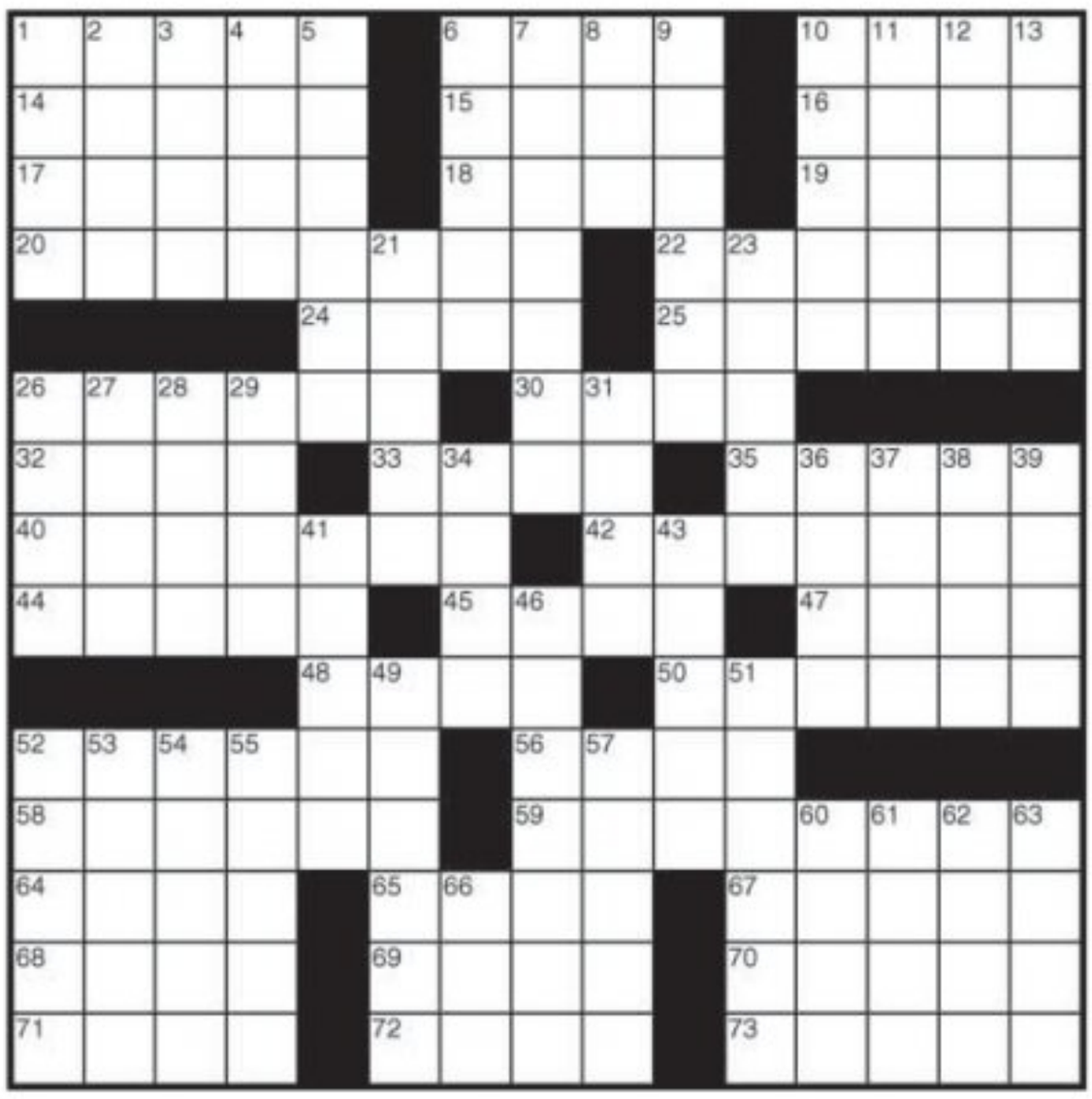

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Phillies will hold on to Ryne Sandberg this time

MLB. Team removes interim tag and names Sandberg 52nd manager in franchise history.

The Phillies aren't going to part with Ryne Sandberg twice. The 130-year-old franchise has removed the interim manager tag, which has preceded the Hall of Famer's name since he replaced Charlie Manuel last month.

"We feel that Ryne has the qualities and leadership skills that are essential to move our club and our organization forward," general manager Ruben Amaro Jr. said. "Ryne's six years as a minor league manager, Hall of Fame credentials and work ethic warrant this opportunity."

Removing the interim tag was only a formality. There was little doubt that Sandberg would be around in 2014. Sandberg isn't as vocal or folksy as Manuel, but the players like Ryno.

Kevin Frandsen, who also played for Sandberg when he managed Lehigh Valley, gives him a big thumbs up.

"He's great to play for," Frandsen said. "I liked playing for him there and up here. He has a great baseball mind. He's also a great communicator. He should be manager of a major league team. He is a sharp guy."

Sandberg commands respect and has issued more demands.

"The Phillies have definitely played harder since Sandberg became manager," a National League scout said. "They play with more spirit and spunk."

Entering Sunday, the Phillies were 18-16 under Sandberg. That's the sixth-best mark in the NL since Aug. 18.

Sandberg paid uncommon dues for a Hall of Famer. Sandberg beat the bushes in Peoria in the low minors despite being a Cubs icon.

"As it turns out, it was the right path," Sandberg said. "Riding the buses, staying in the motels, being with the 18- and 19-year-olds, teaching them how to be professionals was good for me."

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Sandberg has guided the Phillies to the sixth-best record in the NL since Aug. 18. / GETTY IMAGES

3 SPORTS

Still No. 1

Alabama best in college

The Alabama Crimson Tide are still No. 1 in The Associated Press college football poll. Nick Saban's crew picked up 56 first-place votes, while Oregon placed second with four first-place votes. Clemson, Ohio State and Stanford round out the Top 5.

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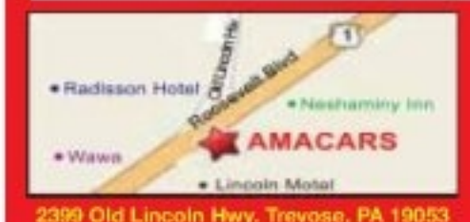

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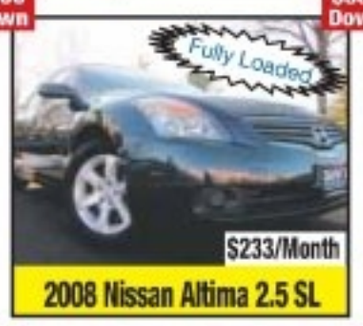

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Kendrick's future really up in the air

MLB. The Phillies shut down the pitcher with a sore shoulder, and must make a decision on his future.

Kyle Kendrick is waiting for a new contract. He'll have a lot of time to think about it too.

Kendrick's season is over after doctors diagnosed the pitcher with tendinitis in his rotator cuff and shoulder tightness. His career could be in jeopardy if he attempted to play through the pain.

Kendrick is 10-13. / GETTY IMAGES

Kendrick gave up six runs on eight hits in four-plus innings during his most recent start, a 6-1 loss on Sept. 13.

Since the Phillies are out of playoff contention, Kendrick didn't see a point in trotting back out there for his last two scheduled starts. Zach Miner will take his spot in the rotation.

"I'm trying to be smart about it for my career," Kendrick told MLB.com.

Now the Phillies will have to make a decision on Kendrick, who is in his final year of arbitration. The team could tender him and keep him for around $5 million, or non-tender him. Hurting his chances is the other decision the Phils must make on Roy Halladay. Kendrick went 10-13 with a 4.70 ERA.

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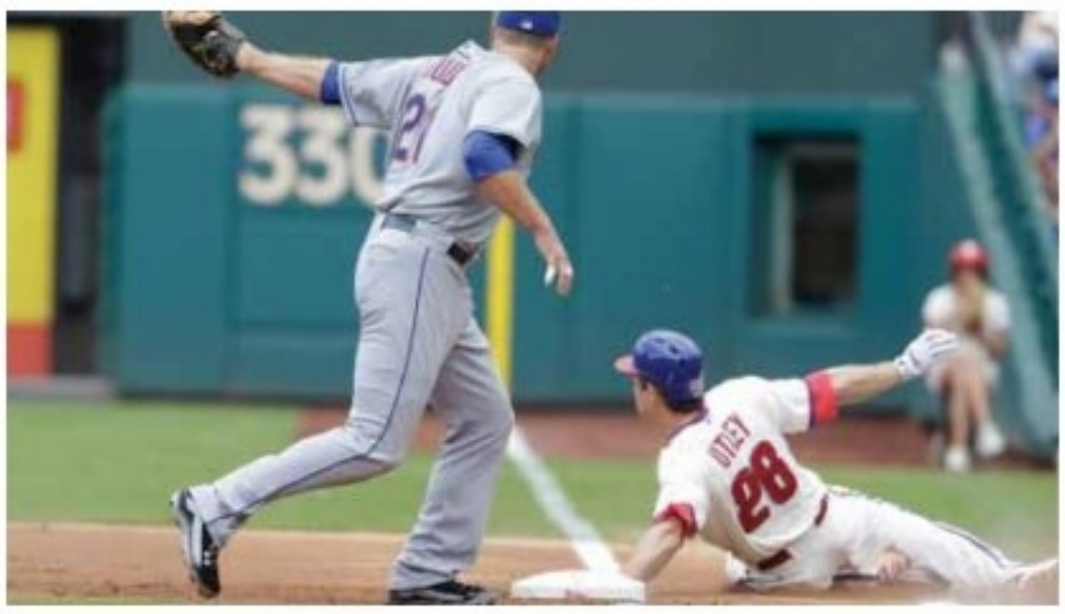

Phillies fall to Mets, 4-3, at The Bank

The Phillies lost to the Mets, 4-3, on the day Ryne Sandberg was named full-time manager. Cliff Lee (14-7) took the loss yesterday after giving up three runs in seven innings. Kevin Frandsen went 2-for-4 with a double. / GETTY IMAGES

MLB

Yanks honor Rivera

Closer Mariano Rivera was honored yesterday at Yankee Stadium.

The future Hall of Famer had his No. 42 retired and Metallica performed "Enter Sandman." He'll retire after the season. METRO

Golf

Woods can't claim FedEx

Tiger Woods closed out 2013 yesterday with a 3-under-par 67 at the Tour Championship.

Woods didn't win or claim the FedEx Cup title, but he had the most money and lowest average for the season. METRO

NASCAR

Kenseth wins Cup race

Matt Kenseth won his second Chase for the Sprint Cup event yesterday by edging teammate Kyle Busch at New Hampshire Motor Speedway.

Kenseth also won the championship race opener. METRO

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Kelly's Eagles resting up for Mile High City

Peyton Manning doesn't often lose in Denver. / GETTY IMAGES

NFL. The Birds, staying focused after a tough loss, return to practice tomorrow.

The hype around Chip Kelly is starting to fade. The NFL is a "What have you done for me lately?" kind of league, and Kelly's Eagles have dropped two straight games.

But Kelly, who lost to the man who held his position for 14 years last Thursday, isn't discouraged. He has a plan for these Eagles, a plan that will resume Sunday.

"The one thing I do know about it, when you do lose, you can't feel sorry for yourself," Kelly said "That's not going to solve any problems. It's about putting your head down, going to work, understanding mistakes are made. If you continue to make the same mistake, that's where we really have an issue."

Kelly gave his players the entire weekend off after losing to the Chiefs. The coach wanted his guys to clear their minds and not think about football for a few days. The team returns to the practice field tomorrow.

"We didn't give an itinerary or tell them to do this," Kelly said. "I know they've talked to our strength and conditioning coaches. If they want to come in, those guys can come in. Some of them need a break. Some of them can get a little bit of time away from here. I told them, be ready when you come back on Tuesday, got to be ready to go."

Their next opponent is Peyton Manning's undefeated Broncos. They'll be coming off a short week since they host Oakland tonight. The Eagles' fast-paced offensive attack could be in for a long night as they'll have to deal with that unfavorable altitude in Denver.

"We're at the same advantage or disadvantage of anybody else going in there," Kelly said. "We're going to practice and train like we normally practice and train, and go out there and play football."

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Around NFC East: A big 'W' in Big D

NFL. Cowboys rout Rams, while Giants and Redskins remain winless through first three weeks.

DeMarcus Ware had two sacks yesterday and set a new career franchise record with 114. / GETTY IMAGES

It was another tough week in the NFC East.

The New York Giants were routed down in Carolina, while the Washington Redskins lost at home to the Detroit Lions for the first time since 1939. The Dallas Cowboys won easily against the St. Louis Rams to remain in first place in the division.

Here's how things went down yesterday:

Lions 27, Redskins 20
Matthew Stafford threw for 385 yards as Detroit took advantage of a costly fumble by Robert Griffin III. They kicked the go-ahead field goal on the next series. Washington is winless at 0-3.

Panthers 38, Giants 0
New York is still chasing its first win after Cam Newton accounted for four TDs (three passing, one rushing). It was the largest margin of victory in Carolina's history.

Cowboys 31, Rams 7
DeMarco Murray's monster day (175 rushing yards, one score), along with Tony Romo's three touchdown tosses fueled the Cowboys. DeMarcus Ware recorded two sacks and broke the franchise record of 114.

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The Flyers inked right-wing Matt Read to a four-year, $14.5 million contract extension this weekend.

- The 27-year-old Read is entering his third NHL season. He has racked up 71 points (35 goals, 36 assists) in 121 games.
- "We're excited and happy we finally got it done," Flyers GM Paul Holmgren said. "He's one of the young core players on our team. Matt came out of college a couple years ago and jumped into our lineup and scored 24 goals."
- "It's still crazy to me to think I'm playing in the National Hockey League," Read said. "So to sign my second contract with the Philadelphia Flyers is a dream come true."

Starting from scratch in orange and black

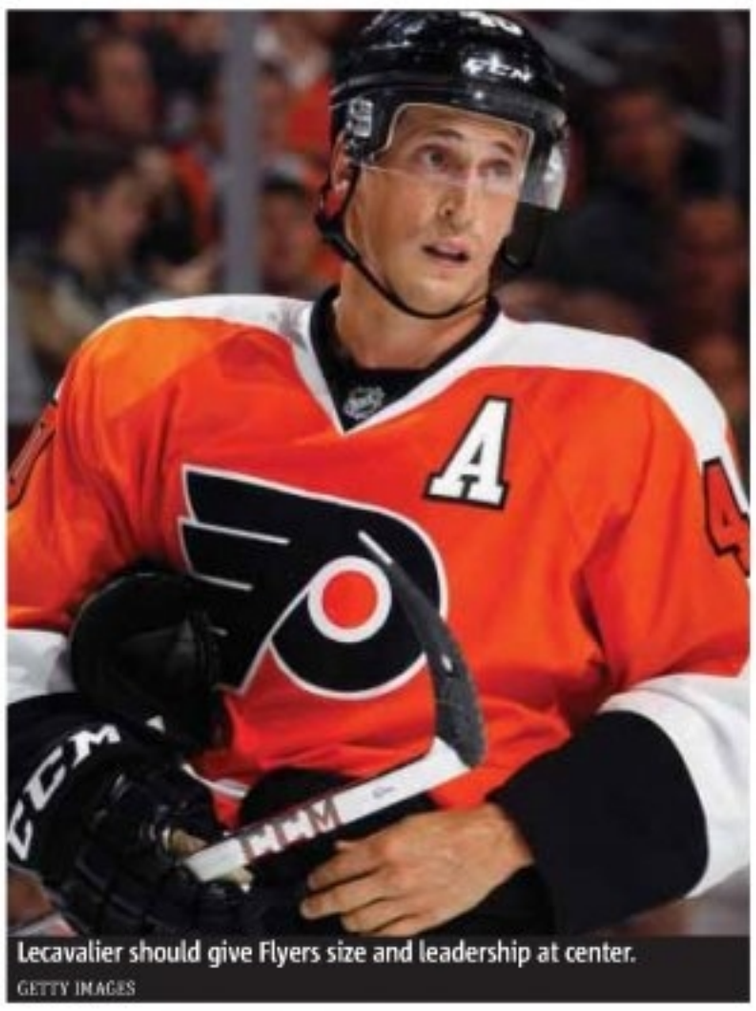
NHL. Vinny Lecavalier is ready for a change of scenery after 14 years in Tampa Bay.

Imagine being in one place for 14 years, then suddenly being told you're not wanted. How tough must it be starting over someplace else?

OK, enough about Andy Reid. This isn't about Big Red. In this case, the man trying to revive his career hasn't left us. He's just arrived.

Vinny Lecavalier was told by Tampa Bay not to let the door hit him on the way out when they bought out the remaining seven years and $45 million of his contract under the NHL's new amnesty clause. He believes wearing the Flyers' orange and black might be exactly what he needs.

"Once you're bought out, you have no choice," said Lecavalier, who will provide depth and some needed size at center. "But I'm excited for this challenge and new opportunity. It's a different feel for me and my family. I was lucky enough to be in a place 14 years with a great organization."


Lecavalier should give Flyers size and leadership at center.
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Something to prove

"The way I come into camp is: Every year I want to prove something. I'm 33 years old, but I don't feel old."
Vinny Lecavalier, Flyers center

During those 14 years — 383 goals, four All-Star appearances — Lecavalier also achieved the one thing Reid failed to do here: win a championship. Ironically, it came at his new team's expense when the 2004 Lightning beat the Flyers in a memorable conference final.

"I remember before the series thinking, 'This is gonna be a tough series,'" recalled Lecavalier, who had four goals with two assists in the series. "And it was. Probably the best series we had in the playoffs. I love to come here and play in this building. It's just a really loud and fun building, and the crowd is never silent."

It will be even better now, since that boisterous crowd will be cheering for him.

"Honestly, I don't want to prove the Lightning wrong," said Lecavalier. "It has nothing to do with that. The way I come into camp is every year I want to prove something. I'm 33 years old, but I don't feel old."

Early reports have been favorable.

"He's looked terrific," said Flyers coach Peter Laviolette, who took his team up to Lake Placid, N.Y., this past weekend to prepare for the Oct. 2 season opener. "He's going to be a big piece for us this year."

After 14 years in one place, Lecavalier can't wait to make his mark in his new home.

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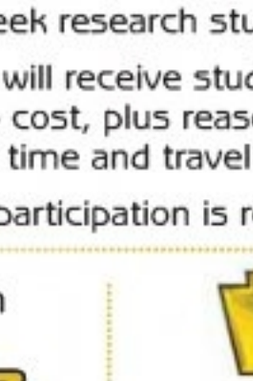

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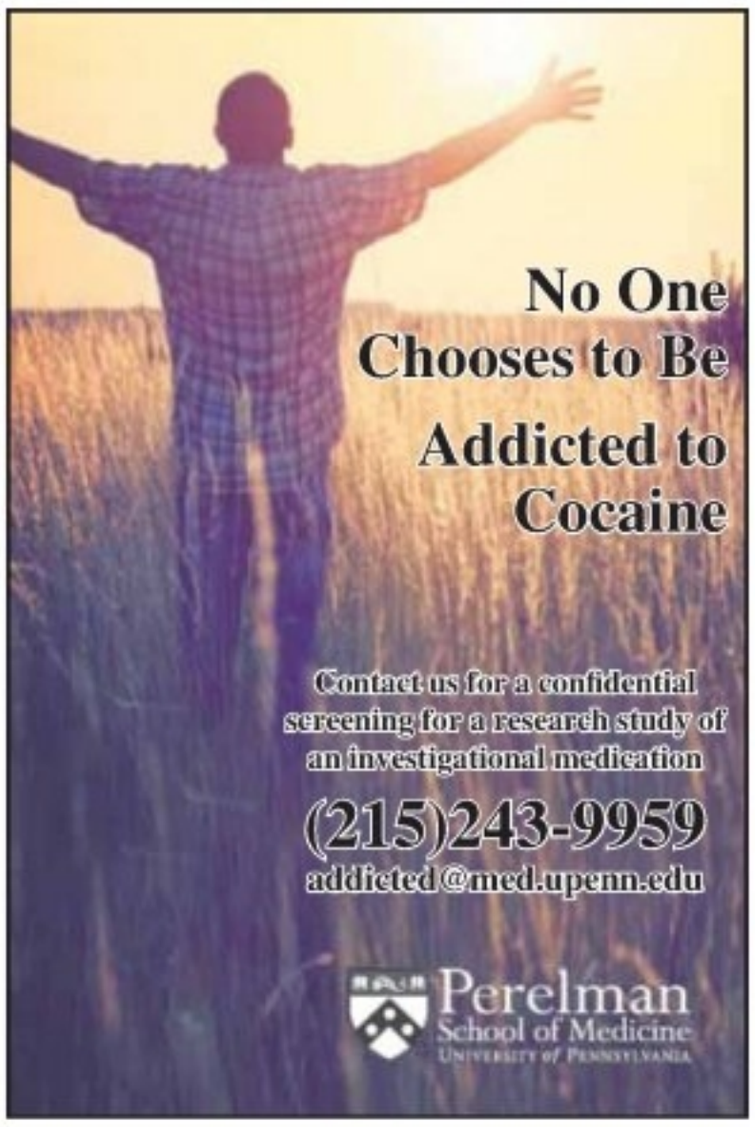
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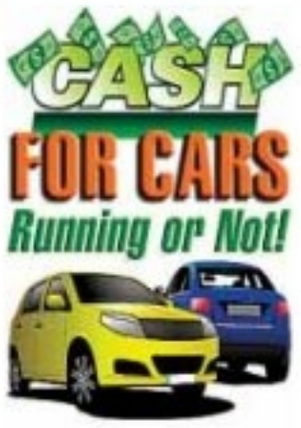
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